

**Amendments To Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (previously presented) A decryption device comprising:  
an internal-key storage section adapted to store an internal-key;  
a content-key storage section adapted to store content-keys;  
a determination section adapted to determine whether or not a value of the content-key storage section in its initial state and a current value of the content-key storage section are different; and

an operation section, the operation section including:

a first decrypting section adapted to, when an encrypted content-key is input to the operation section, decrypt the encrypted content-key using the internal-key so as to obtain a content-key and store the content-key in the content-key storage section and

a second decrypting section adapted to, when an encrypted content is input to the operation section and the determination section determines that the value of the content-key storage section in its initial state and the current value of the content-key storage section are different, decrypt the encrypted content using the current value of the content-key storage section as the content-key so as to obtain a first output data and output the first output data to outside of the decryption device,

wherein the content key storage section is in an initial state immediately after at least one of a power-on of the decryption device and the decryption device is reset.

2. (cancelled)

3. (previously presented) A decryption device according to claim 1, further comprising a mutual authentication section adapted to determine whether or not a mutual authentication has been made between the mutual authentication section and a storage device which is located outside the decryption device, and store the encrypted content-key being stored in the storage device;

wherein the second decrypting section is adapted to decrypt the encrypted content when the mutual authentication section determines that the mutual authentication has been made.

4. (previously presented) A decryption device according to claim 1, wherein:  
the internal-key storage section is adapted to store a plurality of internal-keys; and  
the internal-key storage section is adapted to select one of the plurality of internal-keys  
as the internal-key based on internal-key selection information input from outside the decryption  
device to the decryption device.

5. (previously presented) A decryption device according to claim 1, wherein:  
the second decrypting section is further adapted to prevent decryption of the encrypted  
content when the determination section determines that the value of the content-key storage  
section in its initial state and the current value of the content-key storage section are the same.

6. (previously presented) A method for decrypting encrypted content in a decryption  
device including an internal-key storage section and a content-key storage section, the method  
comprising:

storing an internal-key in the internal-key storage section;  
storing content-keys in the content-key storage section;  
determining whether or not a value of the content-key storage section in its initial state  
and a current value of the content-key storage section are different; and  
decrypting an encrypted content-key provided to the decryption device by using the  
internal-key so as to obtain a content-key and storing the content-key in the content-key storage  
section; and

when it is determined that the value of the content-key storage section in its initial state  
and the current value of the content-key storage section are different, decrypting the encrypted  
content using the current value of the content-key storage section as the content-key so as to  
obtain a first output data and outputting the first output data to outside of the decryption device,

wherein the content key storage section is in an initial state immediately after at least one  
of a power-on of the decryption device and the decryption device is reset.

7. (cancelled)

8. (previously presented) A method according to claim 6, further comprising:

storing a plurality of internal-keys in the internal-key storage section; and  
selecting one of the plurality of internal-keys as the internal-key based on internal-key  
selection information input from outside the decryption device to the decryption device.

9. (previously presented) A method according to claim 6, further comprising:  
preventing decryption of the encrypted content when it is determined that the value of  
the content-key storage section in its initial state and the current value of the content-key storage  
section are the same.